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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :  
John C. Harvey and James W. Cuddihy : Examiner:  
Serial No. To be Accorded : Group Unit:  
Filed Herewith : Atty Dkt: 5634.109  
For **SIGNAL PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHODS**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initiating the Examination of the above-described continuation application, Applicants herewith submit the following Preliminary Amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 1 and add the following claims:

- Sub B1
2. A method of controlling a transmitter station including:
- programming a computer to select and control the communication of mass
- medium programming materials based on a schedule;
- inputting to said computer a schedule that specifies a unit of mass medium
- programming and includes one of the group:
- (a) a time to transmit said unit of mass medium programming
- to a remote station; and